PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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PLASTIC LENS, MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF, PRODUCTION TRACING

MANAGEMENT METHOD THEREOF, AND OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

The benefit of the filing date of the following prior foreign application filed in the following foreign country is hereby requested for the above-identified patent application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-342775, filed November 26, 2002

In support of this claim, a certified copy of said original foreign application:

is filed herewith.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of this document.

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